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February 22, 1985

Mr. Jim Wojcik
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
1701 First Avenue
Maywood, Illinois 60153

Dear Mr. Wojcik:

As discussed during our telephone conversation on November 9, 1984, at which time I was first notified of your July 19, 1984 directive prohibiting Mr. Stephen Benoit from any further washing of crop spraying equipment or aircraft on airport property, I am submitting this letter as a formal complaint against Mr. Benoit for actions following that restriction which displayed his lack of concern for the airport environment and your agency's prohibitory directives.

On July 19, 1984, Mr. Jay Patel, Mr. Jim Wiggins and yourself made an inspection of Mr. Benoit's leased T-hangar premises to determine its suitability for crop spraying operations, and to investigate my concerns of possible environmental damage resultant of Mr. Benoit's June 29, 1984 washing of his crop spraying aircraft. It is now my understanding that Mr. Benoit was directed, at that time, to cease from any further washing of his crop spraying aircraft or equipment on airport property.

Contrary to Mr. Benoit's agreement to cease from further such activities, he did, during the later portion of September hire a local firm, Mobil Power Wash, to provide industrial cleaning for his aircraft on airport property. This activity was observed by Airport Authority employee Mr. Jim Anderson, Mr. Willard Rusk, President, Rusk Aviation, Inc. and Mr. Clifford Rusk, Line Service Chief, Rusk Aviation, Inc.

In addition, due to Mr. Benoit's persistent violation of airport regulations, the Authority has been obliged to obtain court assistance in the form of a cease and desist order. Mr. Benoit is currently making preparations to locate his aircraft and operations at another location.

Please contact me if I may be of further assistance on the above matter.

Sincerely,
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Steven C. Skorepa, Airport Manager

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